UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Particulars regarding motor lorries plying on the Alwaye Munnar line.

1. **MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN** : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement furnishing the following particulars regarding motor lorries, plying on the Alwaye-Munnar line from the date of the commencement of the service till the 20th Kanni 1115 ;

(i) the number of lorries that collided with others and got damaged ;

(ii) the number of lorries that capsized on the way ;

(iii) the number of lorries that strayed and fell into the swampy areas of Mannankandam and other places ;

(iv) the reasons therefor ; and

(v) the names of the drivers of such lorries and the places to which they belong ?

MR. K. SANKARAN: (i) Two.

(ii) One.

(iii) Nil.

(iv) In (i) negligence of the driver of a private lorry coming in the opposite direction. In (ii) the carelessness of the Departmental driver.

(v) (i) N. K. Kochukrishnan Nair — Neyyattinkara J. S. Gomez—Quilon.

(ii) K. A. Sankara Pillai—Thodupuzha.

Restrictions to cut down and sell jungle trees.

2. **MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether any restrictions have been placed on the privileges of people to cut down and sell jungle trees such as Pongallyam etc., standing in their holdings and, if so, the nature of the restriction so imposed ?

MR. P. RAMAN PILLAI: No.

Construction of the Kuttipuzha Canal.

3. **MR. THAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTHOMMEN** (*Tiruvalla*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when it was that Government began the construction of the Kuttipuzha canal in the Triuvalla taluk ;

(*b*) what is the total length of the canal ;

(*c*) whether the construction is completed ;

(*d*) how many acres of wet land in the taluk would get the benefit of this canal when completed ; and

(*e*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the negative, why this project is delayed ?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR:

(*a*) Edavom 1110.

(*b*) 3 3/8 miles.

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[Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar.]

(*c*) No.

(*d*) 2216 acres.

(*e*) The estimate originally sanctioned was found to be insufficient during execution. A revised estimate was therefore sanctioned in June 1939, but the work was not arranged for then, as it was not the proper working season. Steps to resume the balance works are being taken.

Electricity sub-station at Chengannoor.

4. **MR. THAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTHOMMEN:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether Government or the Electrical Engineer has received any memorial or application from the public of the Chengannoor town praying for the opening of an electricity sub-station there and what action has been taken on it?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Yes. It is proposed to include this extension in the next year's programme.

Damages to land and agriculture in the Tiruvella taluk.

5. **MR. THAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTHOMMEN:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether damage has been caused to land and agriculture in the Pandanad, Vadakkekara and Thiruvanmandoor pakuthies of the Tiruvalla taluk; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what steps have been taken by the Government to redress the hardships of the poor agriculturists of the above mentioned localities?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO: (*a*) and (*b*) The question is vague as the period is not specified.

Existence of latrines and urinals at bus-stands.

6. **MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether it has come to their notice that the existence of latrines at bus-stands is necessary for the convenience of passengers?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: They would be useful.

Senate of the Travancore University.

7. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of members of the Senate of Travancore University; and

(*b*) the number of members who are not holders of degree in arts or science?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) 75.

(*b*) 13 have no degrees and five others hold degrees in other subjects.

First list of selected candidates for appointment as clerks on Rs. 20-25.

8. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

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